

Duvall News

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Community Member:

October is an interesting month for Duvall. It is the time of year when the administration delivers the budget to the city council for review and changes. This year, we as a city are faced with budget challenges that are no different than those experienced by many of the companies that you work for, and no different than what the state and county are facing. Our budget shortfall for 2008 is 10% and for 2009 it will be 15%. What makes us unique is that we are a small city that is very self-sufficient given the staffing we have. Each employee at the city works hard to make Duvall special. Yet, this year, I was forced to notify eight employees that their positions will be cut next year due to budget challenges. These changes are not "extra" employees; these are key positions ranging from Planning to Police and everything in between. What also makes Duvall unique is that, in my discussions with the city council, we all agree that we are not going to compensate for our short-fall by creating new taxes. Instead, we will handle the revenue shortfall internally. We know that each of you works hard, and raising your taxes is not the solution.

One of the areas affected by the budget is special events. In the past, the city has funded programs ranging from Trick-or-Treating and the Holiday Tree Lighting, to SummerStage and Duvall Days. For 2009, the challenge is not just the funding of these programs, but the time and energy from staff to help work on events. However, with every challenge comes an opportunity. In the months ahead, the Economic Development Committee will be reaching out to all of you for help. They will be asking for volunteers, donations, and any and all community participation possible so that we can continue to provide these events. We all know that our calendar of events makes Duvall a special place to live so let's all rally around our community to secure the future of these events in 2009.

To end on a positive note, by the time you read this, the city council will have authorized me to sign a contract to start the construction on Main Street. The great news is that the bids came in lower than expected and the company that was selected has done this kind of work in the past.

Finally, the Halloween "Trick-or-Treat" event is just around the corner. I would like to thank Jodi Lee with the city who is helping to organize the event as well as our business community for supporting yet another great year of Halloween fun. For those who want to visit with me I will be at Tressa's Bakery on October 25th from 9:00a.m.-10:30a.m. Enjoy the month and Happy Halloween!

Sincerely,
Will Ibershof



COME TRICK OR TREAT IN DOWNTOWN DUVALL!



It's time for Trick or Treaters! On Friday, October 31st, from 3:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M., we are inviting local children to downtown Duvall for Trick or Treating. Most local businesses will be giving out treats for Halloween. Participating businesses will have a balloon at their entrance. Join us in Duvall!

Businesses on Main Street (including Copperhill Square and Safeway Plaza), 1st Avenue, Valley Street, and Brown Avenue are joining in on the fun. You can pick up a list of participating businesses at City Hall or view it at www.duvallwa.gov after October 19th. If your business would like to participate, please call Jodi Lee at City Hall at 425-788-1185.



On Your Mark. Get Set. Gobble.

Be the early bird
**Register
Today!**



- 5K & 10K Turkey Trot Runs
- Health Fair

Saturday **November 15, 2008**

Support Health & Wellness Programs
for Riverview School District Youth

Thanks to our sponsors:



The Valley VIEW



A Riverview Educational Foundation (REF) Event
More info at: WWW.REFWEB.ORG

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MAIN STREET PROJECT UPDATE

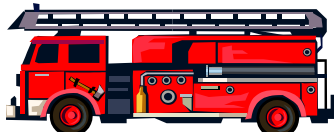
The Main Street construction project will begin October 6th 2008. The contractor is Tri-State construction out of Bellevue, WA. Recently they have completed the SR 522 flyover ramp in Redmond at the Redmond Way /Avondale Road/ SR 522 intersection (two years ahead of schedule) as well as the SR 202 widening project and 3rd runway at Seatac airport. Their project manager resides in Duvall so they have an understanding of what Duvall is really about. We are very excited about Tri-State working on this project with us. Please visit the project website for more information www.duvallwa.gov/mainstreet_08/index_mainst.html.

We will have a ground breaking ceremony on October 9th at 5:30 pm during the normally scheduled City Council workshop. The groundbreaking will happen on the north east corner of Main Street & Cherry Street (near Bearzabout).



DUVALL FIRE #45 IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Duvall Fire (King County Fire District 45) is doing an additional recruiting drive for volunteer Emergency Responders to begin training in February. This is your opportunity to "try out" the fire and emergency medical service as a possible career, add some balance and excitement to your life, and/or give back to your community in a very special way. We provide the training, equipment, and even some compensation. You provide the time and energy. If you think your fire department might be the right place for you, call 425-788-1625, or stop by 1st and Stella. For more information, please visit our web site www.duvallfire45.com. We are taking applications until October 15th for this class.



PREPARING OUR COMMUNITY

While we can be thankful we don't have hurricanes in the Pacific Northwest, we do have our share of stormy weather, flooding, power outages, impassable roads, etc. and with the winter approaching, we need to be prepared.

The City of Duvall is more prepared for winter storms than we have ever been. A grant from King County Councilmember Kathy Lambert provided partial funding for backup power at City Hall and the Permit Center. There is also emergency amateur radio capability at the Fire Station, sheltering at Cedarcrest High School (when needed); courtesy of some active residents involved with the local Citizen Corps.

You may have seen the Carnation-Duvall Citizen Corps Council (CDCCC) booth at the Duvall Farmers Market, stopped by their information tables at the Fire Department's Pancake Breakfast, or seen them monitoring the Duvall Days Fun Runs.

Citizen Corps provides information, training and assistance to help you plan and prepare for emergencies:

- Carnation-Duvall Medical Reserve Corps is recruiting active, inactive and retired healthcare professionals and also concerned volunteers. Over 50 have joined and another 100 are sought.
- Map Your Neighborhood is a new tool for organizing successful Neighborhood Watches. Citizen Corps is ready to brief your community on how to organize your neighbors and your resources.
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training is underway and will be offered again in February. Over 300 in our community have been trained in emergency skills!

So what can you do right now? Get ready for being on your own for at least 72 hours: Make a kit. Make a plan. Stay informed. Visit CDCCC at www.carnationduvallcitizencorps.org to learn more about what needs to be in your kit, in your plan, and how to get information and training.

THE "PERMIT CENTER" HAS MOVED

Please note that the city "Permit Center", where our Building Department staff offices were, has moved. They've consolidated offices, joining the Engineering Department at the Wastewater Treatment Plant office building. The new address is 14525 Main Street NE (one building south of its previous location). Permit hours will remain the same, 7:30am to 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Please call 425-788-3434 for your permit questions.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 9th & 23rd : City Council Meetings
- 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Duvall Fire Station.

October 16th : Planning Commission Meetings
- 7:00 p.m. at the Duvall Community Center.

October 31st : Trick or Treat Event
- 3:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.
Main Street

